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TO: Members of the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education

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SUBJECT: Approval of Necessity of School Construction: Burrillville

The Council on Elementary and Secondary Education has as one of its responsibilities reviewing and certifying the need for school construction projects to be reimbursed through the school housing aid program and the SBA Capital Fund. Most large projects are supported by bonds and are comprehensive projects with major renovation and/or new construction components. With the passage of the Statewide School Construction Bond in November 2018, voters activated six new temporary bonus incentives and access to \$250M in upfront funding to support the state share of foundation school housing aid.

At this meeting, the Council is being asked to approve a Necessity of School Construction application. A chart summarizing Burrillville Public Schools' projects is provided in Attachment 1.

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education approve the Necessity of School Construction Projects totaling **\$7,214,000** pursuant to R.I.G.L. §16-7-41.1 as follows (please note that when the applicable reimbursement share ratios are applied to the estimated total project costs noted below, the state share is expected to be **\$3,664,986**, which includes \$773,793 in pay-as-you-go funding):

Burrillville:

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| a. Districtwide Capital Improvements | |
| i. Austin Levy Elementary School | \$ 1,321,782 |
| ii. Callahan Elementary School | \$ 180,000 |
| iii. Steere Farm School | \$ 1,877,555 |
| iv. Burrillville Middle School | \$ 651,493 |
| v. Burrillville High School | \$ 3,183,170 |

SUMMARY: FY 2020 NECESSITY OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

BURRILLVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT	BRIEF DESCRIPTION	JUSTIFICATION	FY 2020 AID SHARE RATIO*	ESTIMATED PROJECT COST**	STATE SHARE	STATE SHARE W/ INTEREST***
Repairs and Renovations	This project will address districtwide repairs at the Austin Levy Elementary, Callahan Elementary, Steere Farm Elementary, the Middle School, and the High School in the Burrillville School District. The proposed repairs will address high priority deficiencies in building systems.	This project will address high priority deficiencies to exterior envelope, HVAC and mechanical systems, electrical, and plumbing systems. The projects will also include other building system improvements that affect student and staff health and safety.	Base Rate 50.8%	\$7,214,000	\$3,664,978	\$5,158,610
			Maximum Rate 70.8%****	\$7,214,000	\$5,107,778	\$7,189,410

* State share ratio is based on FY2020 calculation, pursuant to RIGL 16-7-41(b).

** The approval includes \$7M in bond funded projects and \$214,000 in capital reserve funded projects.

*** Only bonds financed through RIHEBC are eligible for reimbursement on interest.

**** District may be eligible for a maximum of 20% additional reimbursement, pursuant to RIGL 16-7-40.